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DECISION ON

PETITION

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In re application of

Paul Danton Huish et al.

Serial No.10/737,102

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For: DETERGENT COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING ALPHA-SULFOFATTY

ACID ESTERS AND METHODS OF MAKING AND USING THE SAME

This is a response to the PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.181(a) filed April 25, 2005. The petition asks that the abandonment, as set forth in the <u>Notice of Abandonment</u> of April 04, 2005 for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on September 28, 2004 be withdrawn since the applicant did timely file a response on March 28, 2005.

DECISION

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. A review of the USPTO application file reveals that applicant's response, was properly filed on March 28, 2005 in view of the fact that the originally filed papers having a Patent and Trademark Office date stamp of March 28, 2005 thereon have been located in the USPTO application file. Accordingly, any holding of abandonment is hereby vacated, and the application has been returned to pending status.

The application shall be forwarded to the examiner for processing and consideration of the papers filed March 28, 2005.

The Petition is **GRANTED**.

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